

regulations, new environmental regulations as it is required to do by the federal government and by us, but it is the City of Columbus who is not participating in this cleanup. In any event, that matter was addressed in LB 1022, which was prioritized by Senator Robak and which was advanced from the Natural Resources Committee, and in that bill, we said with regard to this private individual, yes, we want to give you, too, the right to apply for closure funds and remedial action funds, just the same as municipalities and other public entities who own landfills can apply for state assistance out of the landfill clean-up funds. And so we are affording the individual that opportunity. This particular amendment that is before you, though, I am not sure what it means, but it says shall not be charged with unlawful acts, under 81-1506, and I will pull that statute in a minute and relate that to you, if Senator Bromm has not already done so. But it is possible that this is intended to mean that DEQ can't require cleanup of environmental problems. If that is not what is meant, I guess I would ask Senator Robak to explain in greater detail what an unlawful act is under 81-1506. So in any event, it is vague. But, secondly, and most importantly, the senator has a priority bill and, Senator, if you want to bring up this matter on your priority...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...bill, you can do that. But I will be appraised in the future of your manner of dealing with these things.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wonder if I could ask Senator Robak a question or two.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Robak, questions from Senator Dierks.

SENATOR ROBAK: Yes, I am able to, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I guess I was interested in the transgression of events with your...with the person you are...

SENATOR ROBAK: With my constituent, okay,...

SENATOR DIERKS: Yeah, when he established his landfill, you said he was approved by the DEQ or DEC.